Vaporetto®

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INNOVATIVE BY NATURE.

PRECAUTIONS

KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS

- Read these instructions carefully before using the appliance.
- Any use which does not comply with these instructions will invalidate the warranty.
- If this instruction manual is lost, it is possible to review it and/or download it from the web site www.polti.com
- Unpack the product and make sure it is intact as well as all the accessories listed in the key. If in doubt, do not use the product and contact an Authorized Service Centre.
- This appliance has been designed only for domestic use.
- This appliance is not intended for use by persons, including children with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- In case the appliance is accidentally dropped, it is necessary to have it checked by an authorized Service Centre as the internal safety features may have been affected.
- High-pressure jets can be dangerous if used improperly. Do not direct the steam jet at people, live electrical equipment or the appliance itself.
- Keep all the parts of the packaging out of the reach of children, they are not a toy. Keep the plastic bag out of the reach of children: danger of suffocation.

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SAFETY WARNINGS:

Risk of electric shock and/or short circuit:

- The wiring system to which the appliance is connected must always comply with the laws in force.
- Before connecting the appliance, make sure that the mains voltage is the same as the voltage indicated on the data label of the appliance and that the power outlet is connected to earth.
- Always turn off the appliance at the on/off switch before unplugging it.
- If the appliance is left unused, always disconnect it from the mains. Never leave the appliance unattended with the cable plugged into the mains.
- Always make sure the appliance is unplugged before performing maintenance work of any kind.
- Do not pull the power cable out of the socket, but grasp the plug itself to avoid damage to the socket.
- Do not allow the power cable to be twisted, crushed, stretched, or come into contact with sharp or hot surfaces.
- Do not use the appliance if the power cable or other important parts of the appliance are damaged. Instead, contact an authorised service centre.
- If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, its service agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid a hazard.
- Do not use electric extension leads that are not authorized by the manufacturer, as they may cause damage or fire.
- Never touch the appliance with wet hands or feet with the cable plugged into the mains.
- Do not use the appliance when barefoot.
- Do not use the appliance near washbasins, bathtubs, showers or containers full of water.
- Never immerse the appliance, the cable or the plugs in water or another liquid.
- Do not direct the steam jet at electrical and/or electronic equipment or at the appliance itself.

SAFETY WARNINGS:

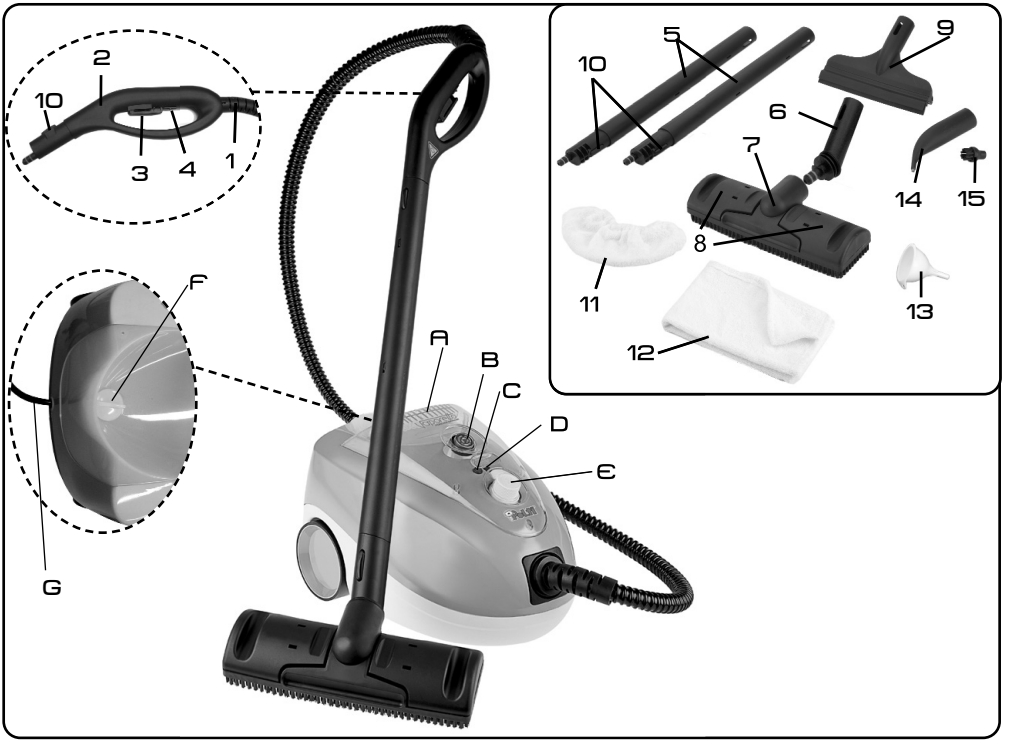
Risk of injuries and/or burns when using the appliance:

- Use of the appliance in places where there is a danger of explosions is prohibited.
- Do not use the product with toxic substances.
- In case of breakdown or malfunction switch off the appliance and never attempt to disassemble it, but refer to an authorized Polti Service Centre.
- This appliance is equipped with safety devices which are to be replaced only by a suitably qualified technician.
- Before cleaning or storing the appliance, always first ensure that the appliance has cooled down completely.
- Do not direct the steam jet at people, animals or debris.
- Never place your hands inside the jet of steam.
- Do not use if the appliance has been dropped, has visible signs of damage or leaks.
- Before accessing the boiler for cleaning, make sure that the product has been turned off and disconnected from the mains for at least 2 hours.
- If pressing the steam request lever when the appliance is still pressurised, even if off and disconnected from the mains, steam may in any case be released from the flexible hose. As such, before turning the appliance off and putting it away, please first press the lever until the steam flow ceases.

SAFETY WARNINGS:

using the appliance:

- This appliance has been designed to work with normal tap water.
  Absolutely do not use distilled water, dryer condensate water, perfumed water, rain water, battery water, water from air conditioning systems and the like. Do not use chemical substances or detergents.
- Do not use limescale products other than Kalstop FP2003.
- Never leave the appliance exposed to the weather.
- Do not place the appliance near a live element, an electric stove or any other source of heat.
- Do not expose the appliance to temperatures under 0°C or over 40°C
- Press the buttons only with a finger, without excessive force and avoid using a pointed object such as a pen.
- Do not wind the power cable around the appliance, especially when the appliance is still hot.
- To avoid prejudicing the safety of the appliance when repairing or replacing accessories, use only original spare parts.
- Let the appliance cool down before cleaning it.
- Before storing the appliance make sure that it has completely cooled down.
- During use the appliance must be resting on a surface (table or floor). The handle is only used for transport.
- Keep the device out of the reach of children, when it is on and during cooling.



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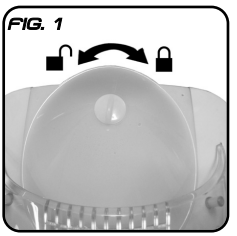

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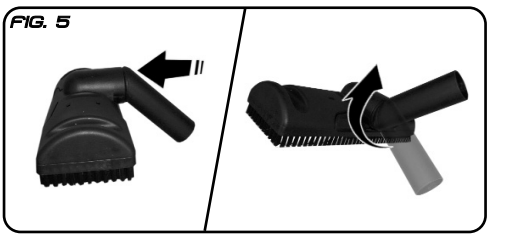

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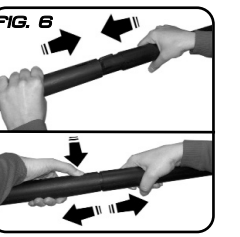

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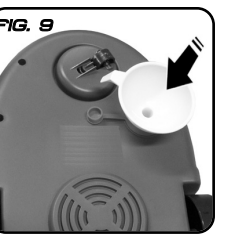

Read these instructions carefully before using the appliance.

Dear Customer,

We want to thank you for the trust you've placed in us by purchasing this product and for having helping protect the most precious asset around us: ***NATURE!*** *VAPORETTO solves all your cleaning and hygiene needs without the use of toxic detergents which damage our environment: water is turned into steam and cleans with a powerful and constant pressure. By taking advantage of this energy, VAPORETTO cleans deeply and is completely eco-friendly.*

Our team of experts, when designing the appliance, provided extra tools to make your work safer and more efficient.

- *All components and accessories are built with high-quality, heat-resistant materials.*

Polti products undergo rigorous testing. Vaporetto has also passed the ***Splash Proof Test****, since it is designed to withstand jets.*

VAPORETTO is built according to IEC international standards, and is equipped with a safety valve, a safety temperature switch and an additional temperature switch for extra protection against dry running.

We hope you enjoy your Polti product!

KEY

GENERATOR

- **A)** Carrier handle
- **B)** ON/OFF switch
- **C)** Steam ready indicator light
- **D)** "No water" indicator lamp
- **E)** Steam control knob
- **F)** Tank cap
- **G)** Power cable

ACCESSORIES

- **1)** Sheath
- **2)** Steam sprayer
- **3)** Steam control lever
- **4)** Safety button
- **5)** Extension tubes
- **6)** Connection for large brush
- **7)** Floor brush
- **8)** Lever-type clasps
- **9)** Small brush with window cleaning fitting
- **10)** Accessories locking key
- **11)** Terry cloth cover
- **12)** Cotton cloth
- **13)** Funnel
- **14)** 120° tool
- **15)** Round brush with nylon bristles for 120° accessory

CE *This unit conforms with EC-directives 2004/108/CE (EMC) and 2006/95/CE (low voltage).*

Polti S.p.A. reserves the right to change equipment or accessory specification without prior notice.

CORRECT USE OF THE PRODUCT

This appliance is intended for domestic use as a steam generator, in accordance with the descriptions and instructions contained in this manual. Please read these instructions carefully and keep them for future reference.

Polti S.p.A. declines all liability for any damage or accident deriving from any use of this appliance which is not in conformity with the instructions contained in this booklet.

ATTENTION

Directive 2002/96/EC (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment - WEEE): information for users

This product complies with EU Directive 2002/96/EC.

The crossed-out wastebasket symbol on the appliance means that at the end of its useful lifespan, the product must be disposed of separately from ordinary household wastes.

The user is responsible for delivering the appliance to an appropriate collection facility at the end of its useful lifespan.

Appropriate separate collection to permit recycling, treatment and environmentally compatible disposal helps prevent negative impact on the environment and human health and promotes recycling of the materials making up the product.

For more information on available collection facilities, contact your local waste collection service or the shop where you bought this appliance.

IMPORTANT

Before leaving our factory all our products are rigorously tested. Your Vaporetto may contain some residual water in the boiler from the factory testing.

PREPARATION

- Turn the tank cap (**F**) (Fig.1) and fill the tank completely with water, making sure it does not overflow, using the special funnel (**13**) (Fig.2).

  This appliance has been designed to work with normal tap water.

  However, since water contains limestone by nature, which may cause scaling in the long run, we recommend using a 50/50 mixture of tap water and demineralised water or treated with softening systems. To use tap water and avoid scale formation, we recommend the addition of the special natural scale removal agent Kalstop FP2003.

  Absolutely do not use distilled water, dryer condensate water, perfumed water, rain water, battery water, water from air conditioning systems and the like. Do not use chemical substances or detergents.
- Close the tank cap (**F**) (Fig.1).
- Plug the power cable (**G**) into a suitable earthed outlet.

USE

- Press the ON/OFF switch (**B**).
- Wait until the steam ready indicator light (**C**) comes on. Vaporetto is now ready for use.
- The steam sprayer (**2**) has a safety button (**4**) that prevents accidental activation of the steam delivery system by a child or other persons unaware of how the device works.

  When the button (**4**) is set to “OFF” the lever commanding steam is locked (fig.4).

  To start using steam, set the button (**4**) to “ON” and work the steam lever (**3**).

Should you have to leave the appliance unattended, turn it off, unplug it and position the button (4) in the OFF position.

The first time you use the appliance, a few drops of water may come out because the temperature has not stabilised perfectly inside the sheath. We recommend you direct the first jet of steam onto a cloth, until the jet of steam is uniform.

NOTE: The steam ready indicator light (**C**) will go on and off which you are using your VAPORETTO. This indicates that the electrical resistance is working to keep pressure constant and should be considered normal.

ATTENTION: if pressing the steam request lever (3) when the appliance is still pressurised, even if off and disconnected from the mains, steam may in any case be released from the flexible hose. As such, before turning the appliance off and putting it away, please first press the lever (3) until the steam flow ceases.

ADJUSTMENT STEAM

Vaporetto enables the flow of steam desired to be optimised by turning the adjustment knob (**E**). You can use this control to increase the steam flow by turning in anti-clockwise direction. Turning the control in a clockwise direction reduces the steam flow (fig. 3). Here are some tips for regulating it:

- **Strong steam:** to remove scaling, stains, grease and to sanitise;
- **Normal steam:** for carpets, rugs, glass, floors;
- **Gentle steam:** to steam plants, clean delicate fabrics, wall coverings, sofas, etc.

CONNECTION OF ACCESSORIES

- To connect up accessories, simply push them together until the accessory snaps into place (**10**) (fig. 6).
- To release the accessories simply hold the button (**10**) down and separate the components.
- Before using the accessories, make sure that they are firmly in place.

LACK OF WATER

The automatic topping up system means it is no longer necessary to stop and wait before filling up the boiler again. When the water level in the boiler is low, the thermostat will automatically start the pump and fill the boiler. If no steam is emitted when requested and the indicator light (**D**) comes on, this means there is no more water in the tank. To continue working, add water to the automatic topping up tank as described in the section on “PREPARATION”.

PRECAUTIONS FOR DELICATE SURFACES

- Before treating leather, special fabrics and wood surfaces, consult the manufacturer’s instructions and always carry out a test on a hidden part or on a sample of the material. Allow the steamed part to dry to make sure that no changes in colour or deformations have occurred.
- Please pay careful attention when cleaning wooden and treated terracotta flooring as prolonged use of steam may damage the wax, polish or colour of the surfaces to be cleaned. We therefore recommend adjustment the steam to minimum (if your appliance has steam adjustment) and never direct the jet of steam directly on the surface, but cover the brush with a cloth. Do not keep spraying steam in the same place.
  For wooden surfaces (furniture, doors, etc.), we recommend cleaning with a cloth which has been steamed previously.
- Also on particularly delicate surfaces (e.g. synthetic materials, lacquered surfaces etc.) it is recommended to always cover the brushes with a cloth and to use steam to a minimum.
- If cleaning glass surfaces in particularly low temperatures preheat the glass using the hand gun from about 50 centimetres distance from the surface to be cleaned.
- For care of your plants vaporise at a minimum distance of 50 centimetres.

PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR THE USE OF THE ACCESSORIES

STEAM GUN (2)

Without inserting the brushes, just the steam gun can be used for particular cleaning, using steam and close range or not, depending on the type of material and the nature of the dirt to be cleaned. The more stubborn the dirt, the closer the steam gun must be kept, as temperature and pressure are greatest at the time of release. In all cases, after steaming, rub more stubborn dirt with a dry cloth or abrasive sponge.
Use the steam gun to:

- treat stains on carpets or rugs before running the brush over it;
- clean stainless steel, glass, mirrors, layered

and enamel coverings;
- clean corners that are difficult to access, such as stairs, window frames, door frames, aluminium profiles;
- clean hob knobs and tap bases;
- clean shutters, radiators and car interiors;
- steam apartment plants (from a distance);
- eliminate odours and creases from clothes.

If necessary (areas which are hard to access) extension hoses can be added to the gun.

FLOOR BRUSH (7)

Connect the large brush connection (6) to the large brush (7) as shown in the figure 5.

- To clean floors, attach a dry, clean cloth to the brush and pass it moving from top to bottom without pressing. When one side is dirty, turn the cloth.
- Use the brush without cloth over dirty or scaled areas and over tile joints making lateral movements to lift the dirt.
- For vertical washable surfaces or upholstery and ceilings, cover the brush with a dry cloth and proceed as for the floor.
- On all types of synthetic or wool floor/wall carpets, as well as area rugs, Vaporetto ensures maximum hygiene, giving them back their original appearance and brightening up the colours. Run the brush without cloth over the surface to make dirt rise to the surface, cover the brush with a cotton cloth locking it in the relevant lever hooks (**9**), then wipe the surface again to collect the dirt. Proceed rapidly and without pressing over the carpet, running the brush forward, backward and sideways without pausing too long at the same point. Treatment can be repeated as often as you like, with no danger for the surfaces. The drying is almost immediate. If the carpet is very dirty or saturated with cleaning products, do not to insist too much. Results will be evident only after a few uses of Vaporetto.
- To clean stubborn stains, before cleaning as indicated above, direct the steam directly onto the stain with the greatest possible angle (never vertically to the surface to be treated) and position a cloth beyond the stain, in order to collect up the dirt that has been “blown” away by the steam pressure.

SMALL BRUSH WITH WINDOW CLEANING FITTING (9)

Windows are washed in 2 stages:
- steaming the surface to dissolve dirt, using the steam control lever (**3**);
- wiping with the squeegee attachment (**9**) working from the top downwards, making sure the rubber wiper fits closely to the glass to remove dirt without releasing steam.

The squeegee attachment (**9**) may also be used as a small steam brush for cleaning all areas where use of a large brush would be inconvenient. Just cover the squeegee attachment with a terry cloth cover (**11**) and use it to clean fabrics in the home (after testing on a hidden corner), upholstery, encrusted dirt...

120° TOOL (14)

The 120° tool, which may be connected directly with the steam gun, has an inclined nozzle for directing the jet of steam onto hidden, hard-to-reach spots for cleaning radiators, window and door frames, bathroom fixtures and shutters. To remove dirt encrusted on small surfaces such as cooker elements, roller blinds and bathroom fixtures or between tiles, apply the round brush (**15**) to the 120° tool, which combines the mechanical action of bristles with steam to get rid of even the stubbornest dirt.

N.B.: do not use the brush (15) on particularly delicate surfaces as it could harm them.

KALSTOP

Water by its nature contains magnesium, mineral salts and other deposits which in hard water areas can contribute to limescale build up in the tank. In very hard water areas we recommend the use of our Kalstop FP2003, a special natural-base decalcifier which inhibits and breaks down limescale. This is a preventive against scale build-up and protects the metal walls of the boiler. Kalstop FP2003 can be found in small appliance stores, Polti service centres and on the web site www.polti.com.

CARE OF YOUR APPLIANCE

- **Before carrying out any maintenance on the device, always unplug it from the power mains making sure that the product has cooled down before proceeding.**
- After using the brushes, we recommend letting the bristles cool down in their natural position, in order to avoid any deformation.
- To clean the body of the appliance, simply use a moist cloth.
- Clean accessories by rinsing them in running water.

PERIODIC CLEANING OF THE BOILER

ATTENTION - Risk of burns!

Make sure that the boiler is cold and has been disconnected from the mains for at least 2 hours.

- To maintain optimum performance, clean the boiler every 10/20 uses depending on the amount of limestone in the water.
- Disconnect the appliance and let it cool down for at least 2 hours, if it has been used.
- Empty the water tank to prevent leakage.
- Turn the appliance upside down and remove the boiler cap protection (Fig. 7).
- With a flat head screwdriver unscrew the boiler cap (Fig.8).
- Use the funnel (**14**) to pour 0,25l of cold water into the boiler.

CAUTION: do not pour more than the specified amount of water into the boiler. Pour water slowly, being careful not to let it overflow, as this could damage the appliance.

- Rinse out the boiler and pour the water away into the sink or into a container for collecting dirty water.
- If the water is very dirty, repeat the operation until it is clean.
- Screw the boiler cap back on, making sure that the gasket is also present and that it is screwed on correctly.
- Replace the protection of the boiler cap.
- When you want to use the appliance again:
  - refill the water tank
  - close the cap
  - turn the appliance back on

TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
The appliance does not turn on.	Power cable (G) not plugged in	Connect the power supply cable (G) to a suitable electric socket.
	Boiler switch (B) off	Turn on the boiler switch (B).
The appliance is on but does not supply steam	The appliance is not pressurised yet	Wait for the indicator light to come on (C).
	Lack of water in the boiler, indicator light (D) turned on every time steam is requested.	Fill the boiler as described in the paragraph “Preparation”.
	Steam control knob (E), turned completely clockwise.	Turn the control knob (E) anticlockwise, to release the steam.
Drops of water leak when appliance is turned on	Condensation in the pipes	Dispense steam onto a cloth for 10 seconds.